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Group Art Unit: 1793

Docket No.: OKUYAM 3.0-008

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:	:
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Application No.: 10/815,419	: Group Art Unit: 1793
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Filed: April 1, 2004	: Examiner: Y. Takeuchi
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For: METHOD FOR REMOVING MERCURY IN	:
<u>EXHAUST GAS AND SYSTEM THEREFOR</u>	:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Dear Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated December 1, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1-3, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: